

## CAPT. E. S. DONNELL

SECURES NOMINATION FOR MAYOR OF COLUMBUS OVER BOTH HIS OPPONENTS BY A HANDSOME VOTE.

Little Interest Taken in Election Save in the Mayoralty Race.—The Satisfactory Card of Mayor Donnell.

The primary election to nominate officers for the City of Columbus, to serve for the bi-ennial period beginning on January 1, 1907, occurred in this city on last Thursday, at the City Hall. The election was a quiet and orderly affair, and outside of the race for Mayor, little interest was shown. The race for Mayor, however, brought out over five hundred voters, and this was considerably in excess of the vote which local forecasters had estimated. The judges of the election were Messrs. T. W. Harris, W. P. Mahon, and Joe Cook, while Messrs. F. R. Simms and J. H. Sykes acted as record keepers. Mr. E. N. Beard represented Capt. E. S. Donnell at the polls, and did the challenging for him. The other Mayoralty aspirants were not represented by friends to challenge disqualifications.

Following is the result of the vote polled, as announced by the judges, and as verified by the County Executive Committee:

For Mayor.	
E. S. Donnell.....	347
O. M. Lawrence.....	91
E. R. Sherman.....	64
For Councilmen.	
Ward No. 1.	
B. A. Weaver.....	390
Ward No. 2.	
J. H. Stevens.....	392
Ward No. 3.	
J. L. Walker.....	391
Ward No. 4.	
D. S. McClanahan.....	387
Ward No. 5.	
E. S. Moore.....	401
Ward No. 6.	
W. L. Gardner.....	377

**For School Trustees.**  
William Kilpatrick.....405  
W. S. Newby.....399  
W. C. Gunter.....399  
W. N. Puckett.....397  
The following card, which was generally circulated around the polls upon the morning of the election caused no little comment:

Several Questions for the Consideration of the Conservative, Thinking, Responsible, School-Loving, Peace-Loving VOTERS of Columbus:

- 1.—Do you want for Mayor a man who has been TRIED and found honest, capable and efficient?
- 2.—Do you want a man who believes in absolute justice, no favors to political pets, and who is NOT the candidate of any society, or of any DISAPPOINTED POLITICIAN and his RING?
- 3.—Should your Mayor be a man identified by long citizenship, ownership of a home, with interests in the public schools, and who has proved his good citizenship in every way? If so, vote for E. S. DONNELL for Mayor.

### Nominees Declared.

At a meeting of the Beat Committee of the County Executive Committee of the Lowndes County Democracy, held in this city on Friday, June 22, 1906, the returns of the city primary held in Columbus on Thursday, June 21, were canvassed, and the following were declared the nominees of the party for city officers:

For Mayor, E. S. Donnell; for Councilmen: Ward No. 1, B. A. Weaver; Ward No. 2, J. H. Stevens; Ward No. 3, J. L. Walker; Ward No. 4, D. S. McClanahan; Ward No. 5, E. S. Moore; Ward No. 6, W. L. Gardner. School Trustees: William Kilpatrick, William Newby, W. N. Puckett, and W. C. Gunter.

By order of the Committee.

E. R. Sherman, Chairman.  
P. W. Maer, Secretary.

John Stevens, a worthy negro of this place, died on last Wednesday night, of consumption. He was for the past six years in the employ of Street Commissioner Childers, who paid a high tribute to his faithfulness and honesty, and who will greatly miss him. Stevens was raised by Mr. Hardy Stevens, father of our townsman, Mr. J. H. Stevens, and he was a type of his race which is rapidly passing from human view.

## BIG LUMBER DEAL CLOSED.

Thirty-three Thousand Acres of Mississippi Land Changes Hands.

John A. Fulton, an attorney, of Bardonia, Ky., representing Baldwin & Unsell, of this city, arrived in Jackson, yesterday, for the purpose of examining titles looking to the transfer from that firm to the Interstate Trust and Banking Company, of New Orleans, of 33,000 acres of timbered lands in Leake, Neshoba, Winston and Attala counties, the consideration in the deal being \$250,000.

The lands referred to are in the Pearl River Valley, directly adjoining those of Fred. Herrick, the Wisconsin millionaire, who recently purchased his holdings from Foley & Larson, and are covered with a thick growth of hardwood timber.

This deal has been on for several weeks, and several Jackson attorneys, among them the firm of Harper & Potter, have been engaged for some time in making the examination of titles to the property.

Just who the real purchaser of the property is, is not known, the sole facts which have so far been revealed being that the Interstate Trust and Banking Company was financing the deal.

In view of the fact that the lands are contiguous to those owned by him, it has become well believed that Mr. Herrick himself was behind the trade, and that he will run the railroad down the Pearl River Valley that has so long been expected. However, this is merely a surmise, as there is no direct evidence to connect him with the purchase.

No matter who might have been the purchaser of the property, the change in title means that the lands will be improved, and that the heavy growth of timber will be cut off and the place put in condition for farming purposes.—Clarion-Ledger.

## JUDGE CRITZ TO WITHDRAW.

Will Not Make the Race for Gubernatorial Nomination.

West Point, Miss., June 29, 1906.

To the People of Mississippi:  
It has been my purpose at the proper time to enter the pending gubernatorial race. I have so stated to my friends in reply to inquiries from all over the State, but my wife's continued ill health forbids my re-entry into politics at this time.

I am deeply grateful to my friends for the interest manifested by them in me, and feel sure that my course, for the reason given, will meet their approval. I have waited with a hope of such permanent improvement in Mrs. Critz as would justify my public announcement before the time for the beginning of an active canvass, but her recovery has been so slow that I am not justified in longer hesitation. My first duty is to her, and it is now manifest that she is not in a condition to endure the terrible strain of a Mississippi State campaign. Very respectfully,  
Frank A. Critz.

## Mays - Hoffmeister.

Mr. Clarence Mays and Miss Emilie Hoffmeister were married at the home of the bride on South Market street at 8:30 o'clock last Wednesday evening, the ceremony having been performed by Rev. L. M. Broyles, pastor of the First Methodist Church. The bride is the daughter of Prof. H. E. Hoffmeister, a member of the faculty of the Industrial Institute and College, and is a very attractive and highly accomplished young lady, while the groom is a clever and energetic young business man. The Dispatch joins the many friends of the young couple in extending congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy married life.

## Parker - Vaughn.

Mr. John P. Parker and Miss Alice Vaughn were married at the home of the bride, in the Caledonia neighborhood, last Wednesday afternoon, Rev. L. M. Broyles, of this city, officiating. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilbur Vaughn, and is a charming and attractive young lady, esteemed and admired by a large circle of friends. Mr. Parker was formerly a resident of this county, but he now resides at Pontotoc, Miss., and that place will be the future home of the newly wedded pair.

Mr. Joseph A. Eddins, Jr., manager of the Rosedale Oil Mill, has been in the city for the past few days on a visit home.

## SCHOOLS DISCUSSED

CITY COUNCIL HELD SPECIAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT TO DISCUSS SELLING CITY BONDS.

Will Issue Five Per Cent. Twenty Year Bonds, With Interest Payable Semi-Annually.—Work to Be Pushed Rapidly.

There was a special meeting of the City Council on last Wednesday night, which was held for the purpose of receiving the report of the officers in control of the election which was held on June 14 for the purpose of voting on the issuance of bonds in the sum of sixty thousand dollars to build a public school and for other internal improvements. The report of the officers stating that the election had been carried by the requisite majority was received and ratified, and the Council proceeded to discuss the kind of bonds to be issued, the rate of interest they are to bear, and when and in what manner they shall be disposed of. After a short discussion it was decided to issue twenty-year, five per cent bonds, with interest payable semi-annually, and Tuesday, July 24, was fixed as the date on which these bonds are to be sold. There was some talk relative to issuing four or four and one-half per cent bonds, but the Council seemed unanimous in the opinion that five per cent bonds can be more easily disposed of, and that the premium which they will bring will more than make up for the difference in the rate of interest.

After the character of the bonds and the date of their issuance had been settled, the next question to be discussed was as to how to proceed in spending the money. The bill authorizing the issuance of the bonds states that the money shall be spent in the erection of a new public school, the improvement of Franklin Academy, the improvement of the fire department, and the extension of the water and sewerage mains. It is left to the discretion of the Council, however, as to which one of these matters shall be taken up first, and it was decided on Wednesday night that the improvements at Franklin Academy will be the first work to be undertaken. Of course no legal contract can be made until the bonds are sold, but the school committee, which consists of Councilmen J. L. Walker and E. S. Moore, was authorized to have the plans and specifications made for the heating and plumbing system which is to be installed at Franklin Academy, and to secure bids on the work. It is the intention of the Council to install a thoroughly up-to-date system of plumbing and steam heating, and not only will the plans be made by an expert, but a thoroughly competent sanitary engineer will be employed to superintend the work after the contract has been awarded. The school committee was also authorized to secure options on sites suitable for the new public school building which is to be erected. Several sites have been suggested, but beyond the fact that the new school will be built in East Columbus, no one seems to know where it will be located. As stated above, the work at Franklin Academy will be the first to be undertaken, but the new school building is badly needed, and the contract for its erection will be awarded at the earliest possible moment.

The bond issue, as already stated, provides for certain improvements in the fire department, and the estimated amount to be expended in this work is thirty-five hundred dollars. It is the idea of Councilman Gardner, who is chairman of the fire committee, to erect a new fire station in East Columbus, and install therein either a chemical engine or a truck with chemical attachment. The fire committee was authorized to investigate the matter and make report at the next regular meeting of the Council.

The matter of selecting the streets on which the new water and sewerage mains are to be laid was left to the street committee, who will decide on which streets these mains shall be laid. The recommendations of the committee will then be submitted to the Council for ratification.

Mrs. E. S. Donnell and children left yesterday for Biloxi, where they will spend the summer.

H-a-w-k-e-s glasses are sold by Chapman & Mayfield. 6-24-tf.

## A USEFUL LIFE ENDS

MAJOR R. P. HAIRSTON, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, IS DEAD.

Had Been An Invalid For Many Months, and His Death Was Not Unexpected.—Funeral Last Thursday Morning.

Probably not in the entire county was there a man who was better known or more generally respected than Major R. P. Hairston, who died at his home in the Crawford neighborhood at an early hour last Wednesday morning. Major Hairston, who at the time of his death was sixty-six years of age, had been in bad health for quite a long time past, and during the last few weeks of his life was unable to leave his bed. He was a sufferer from kidney trouble, and the first serious symptoms of the disease made their appearance last fall. He was dangerously ill throughout the winter, but as spring approached he began to grow better, and gained sufficient strength to be able to take a trip to Tate Springs in March. He remained at Tate Springs several weeks, and came back looking and feeling comparatively well. Soon, however, his health began again to decline, and he grew gradually worse until the hour of dissolution came.

Major Hairston had been for nearly twenty-five years a member of the Board of Supervisors, and was perhaps as thoroughly acquainted and as generally popular as any man in the county. Aside from being a man of unusually good business ability, he was a jovial, whole-souled gentleman and made friends rapidly and enjoyed a widespread popularity throughout the county. He was a member of a large and influential family, and is survived by two daughters and five sons. The daughters are Mrs. C. D. S. Bragg and Miss Summer Hairston, who were with their father at the time of his death. The sons are Dr. Ernest Hairston, Messrs. Sanders, Hugh, Robert and Henry Hairston. Messrs. Hugh and Robert Hairston are residents of this city, and to them and to the remaining members of the family the heartfelt sympathy of The Dispatch is tendered in the sad bereavement which they have suffered.

The funeral occurred at the family cemetery near the home of the deceased at ten o'clock on Thursday morning, having been conducted by Rev. W. W. Frierson. Messrs. D. A. Hargrove, E. G. Hardy, L. F. Swope, Charles Slaughter, C. D. Bragg and E. D. Ervin acted as pallbearers.

## The Mayor's Court.

That the local police are ever on the lookout for escaped criminals is proven in the case of Ishman Jones, a negro, who was tried before Mayor Gunter, last Wednesday, for a crime that was committed nearly a year ago. While at a dance which was given at the home of Harrison Harris, some time last July, Jones struck Ophelia Hendricks in the face with his fist, and hurt her so badly that she was laid up for several weeks. Jones made his escape, but Chief Munger made a mental note of the affair, and decided to keep a sharp lookout for the runaway. During the early part of last week he found that Jones, who had left the city immediately after the difficulty took place, had returned and was living here again. He located the house at which the negro was staying, and on Tuesday night sent an officer to arrest him.

Several witnesses who attended the dance at which the difficulty took place, were present when the case was called for trial on Wednesday, and the testimony against Jones was so strong that he was compelled to acknowledge his guilt, and Mayor Gunter sentenced him to serve thirty days on the county farm.

The current issue of the Confederate Veteran contains a half-tone engraving of Master Eugene Long Crutcher, who, at the recent celebration of General Robert E. Lee's birthday in Nashville, recited "The Sword of Lee" and "Memories of the Blue and Gray." The young man, who appeared in a Confederate uniform, is the bright and promising son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Crutcher. Mrs. Crutcher was formerly Miss Annie Long, of this city, and together with Master Eugene, is now visiting relatives on South Fourth street.

## THE SEASON INAUGURATED.

Season of City League Inaugurated Thursday Afternoon With Game Between Messrs. Loeb and Divilbiss.

The season of the newly organized City League was inaugurated on last Thursday afternoon, when the Loeb Brothers team and the Divilbiss Penant Chasers crossed bats at the fair grounds. The Loeb Brothers had on their league boots, "Walk-Over" shoes being barred, and walked away with their opponents, the game resulting in a victory for them by a score of 15 to 4. "Capt." Sydney Blum went in to pitch for the Divilbiss Penant Chasers, but the Captain had been busy watching the cotton market on Thursday morning, and was tired, so at the end of the third inning he retired, and Garrison went in to twirl a few balls. The captain of the opposing team soon got onto Garrison's curves, and after having pitched a couple of innings he retired in favor of Earl Richards, who remained in the box until the conclusion of the game.

Rhett was in the box for the Loeb Brothers, and pitched a good game. Though the game was rather one-sided, it was quick and snappy, having been completed in one hour and fifty-five minutes. The game was umpired by Clarence Cox, and the following was the line-up:

Loeb Bros.	
Rhett, P.....	P. Blum*
Equen, C.....	C. Montgomery
Hackleman, 1 b.....	1 b. Walker
Strauss, 2 b.....	2b. Garrison
Hodgkins, 3 b.....	3 b. Harrison
Cox, E. S.....	S. S. Divilbiss
Gunter, L. F.....	L. F. Craddock
Landrum, C. F.....	C. F. Ussery
Gardner, R. F.....	R. F. Wood

\*Blum retired at end of third inning and was succeeded by Garrison, who, after having pitched two innings, was succeeded by Earl Richards, who pitched the remainder of the game.

On Friday afternoon the Columbus Clothing Company team played the East Ends, and the game was much closer than that which was played between the Loeb Brothers team and the Divilbiss Penant Chasers on the previous day. Ten innings were required to decide the contest, which finally resulted in a victory for the boys from the east side by a score of 9 to 8. The game was a very close and exciting one from start to finish. The team of the Columbus Clothing Company was in the lead up to the eighth inning, when, by bunching their hits, the East Ends secured a lead which their opponents never succeeded in overcoming. One of the features of the game was a home run, which was knocked by Bearden, of the East End team.

Following was the line-up:

Col. Clo. Co.	
East End.	
King, C.....	C. Lawrence
Peddy, P.....	P. Lawrence
Equen, 1 b.....	1 b. Roper, W.
Cox, E. 2 b.....	2 b. Roper, J.
Imes, 3 b.....	3 b. McDonald
Moore, S. S.....	S. S. Bearden
Mullins, L. F.....	L. F. Boston
Leigh, C. F.....	C. F. McCloud
Cox, J. R. F.....	R. F. Simmons

There will be four games between the teams composing the City League during the coming week. On Tuesday the Divilbiss Penant Chasers will play the East Ends; on Wednesday the Loeb Brothers will play the Columbus Clothing Company team; on Thursday the Columbus Clothing Company team will play the Divilbiss Penant Chasers, and on Friday the East Ends will play the Loeb Brothers. All four of the games will be played at the fair grounds, and will be called promptly at 3:30 p. m.

## Smith - Rogers.

Mr. Murray Smith and Miss May Elizabeth Rogers were married on Wednesday evening last at nine o'clock at the home of the bride, on North Third Avenue. The ceremony was performed by Rev. L. M. Broyles. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Smith, of Caledonia, Miss., and holds a responsible position at the Southern Railway shops in this city. He enjoys the confidence and esteem of all who know him. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers, of this city. She is a pretty and accomplished young lady, and has a large number of friends. The Dispatch joins the numerous friends of the newly wedded pair in extending congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Wanted—500 one-gallon jugs. Chapman & Mayfield. 6-24-tf.

## HE WOULDN'T QUIT

MAYOR GUNTER HOLDS A MID-NIGHT SESSION AT CITY HALL TO SETTLE DISPUTE OF TWO BOOK AGENTS.

Henry Jones, Who Traveled for the McDonald Binding Company, Wouldn't Quit Work When Manager Fired Him.

Mayor Gunter is so often called upon to try vagrants that it is quite a relief to him to have before him a man who is really anxious to work, so he did not mind making a special trip to the City Hall at ten o'clock last Wednesday night to try Henry Jones, who refused to quit working, even after he had been fired. Jones, who is a young man of good appearance, has been travelling for the McDonald Binding Company, a publishing concern, which has its Southern headquarters at Atlanta. Under Jones' contract with the concern, he collected five dollars as the first cash payment on every order secured, which went to him as his commission. About two weeks ago he had some misunderstanding with R. C. Longacre, the district manager of the company, and Longacre wrote him a letter, telling him his services were no longer needed. But Jones wouldn't quit. He went on selling books and continued to pocket his five dollars commission on each sale. He neglected, however, to turn his orders in, and this worried Longacre, for he, as district manager, was also entitled to a commission on all sales made in his territory. He sent out numerous telegrams in an endeavor to locate the lost traveler.

Longacre finally found out that Jones was in Columbus, and he straightway boarded a train for this city. When he reached Columbus on Wednesday afternoon he easily found Jones, who was stopping at the Commercial Hotel, but that gentleman refused to turn over either his samples or his orders. Mayor Gunter was appealed to, and he had both men before him on Wednesday night. They were both typical book agents, and the tales which they related were so contradictory that it was difficult for the Mayor to reach a decision in the case. After thinking the matter over, he told Longacre that if he would pay Jones' hotel bill and buy him a ticket to Okoloma, where the man has friends, he would see that the orders and samples, which amounted to nothing more than a "prospectus," were turned over to him. Both men agreed to this, and the case was dismissed.

## The Library Entertainment.

The entertainment which was given at Lake Park, last Tuesday night, under the auspices of the Columbus Library Association, was largely attended, and was a success, both from a financial and an artistic standpoint. Taylor's Band rendered a number of selections, and refreshments were served by a bevy of beautiful young ladies. The refreshments, which were dainty and delicious, were purchased with avidity, and the Library Association realized quite a handsome sum as a result of the entertainment.

## The Cotton Market.

Mr. W. B. Harris on yesterday reported a quiet and inactive cotton market. At the close of business yesterday afternoon, New York spots were quoted at 19.96, and October futures in New York at 19.55. New Orleans spots, 19 15-16, and October futures in New Orleans at 19.29. In the local market good middling was quoted at 19 cents.

The death of Major R. P. Hairston, which occurred at his home in the Crawford neighborhood, last Wednesday morning, causes a vacancy on the Board of Supervisors which will have to be filled by calling a special election. The Board will meet in regular session on Monday, July 2, and the date for the special election will probably be fixed at this meeting. Among the gentlemen who are being mentioned as possible candidates are Messrs. R. B. Hardy and L. E. Ledbetter.

Major Battle Bell, president of the Lowndes County Board of Supervisors, and Chancery Clerk D. D. Richards have returned from Hattiesburg, where they went to attend a meeting of the supervisors of the different counties of the State, which was in session there last week.